

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-4 (Canceled)

5. (Currently Amended) The cover assembly of claim ~~4~~ wherein ~~each corner bracket includes 21 further comprising~~ an L-bar, ~~said L-bar operative to be~~ selectably fastened into ~~said the lower channels at the opposing ends~~ channel of said adjacent frame ~~bars~~ bar, such that the support frame is rigidly bound to said corner bracket.

6. (Currently Amended) The cover assembly of claim ~~[[5]]~~ 21 wherein a size of said support frame is adjustable by positioning of the corner brackets and L-bars ~~are operative to be adjustable at said opposing ends such that the size of the support frame is adjustable~~ relative to said frame bars.

7. (Currently Amended) The cover assembly of claim ~~[[6]]~~ 21 wherein the cover material is formed of a non-rigid material having a perimetric edge selected from ~~the~~ a group consisting of vinyl, canvas, plastic ~~and~~ or a synthetic material.

8. (Currently Amended) The cover assembly of claim ~~[[7]]~~ 21 further comprising at least one cover support, said cover support having opposing ends operative to be received into a portion of said elongated upper ~~channels~~ channel formed in said vertical inner side of said left frame bar and said vertical inner side of said right frame ~~bars~~ bar.

9. (Currently Amended) The cover assembly of claim ~~[[8]]~~ 21 wherein ~~the cover material further comprises a J-clip strip disposed adjacent the perimetric edge, said J-clip strip including~~ includes a barb portion operative to be received into ~~said the~~ elongated slot formed in said outer side of said frame bar.

10. (Currently Amended) The cover assembly of claim ~~[[9]]~~ 21 wherein ~~the J-clip strip~~ said cover includes a zipper ~~disposed between said barb portion and~~ extending along at least one side edge of said cover material, wherein said zipper ~~being adjacent said~~ is centered in an elongated concave recess formed in said outer side of said ~~left, right and rear frame bars~~ bar.

11. (Currently Amended) The cover assembly of claim 10 wherein the ~~J-clip strip~~ cover includes a ~~Velcro~~ perimetric edge that includes a longitudinally extending reclosable fastener operative to engage a complementary ~~Velcro~~ fastener disposed ~~at the perimetric edge of the cover material~~ on the J-clip.

12. (Withdrawn) The cover assembly of claim 1 wherein said front frame bar is pivotally attached to said top end of said front wall.

13. (Withdrawn) The cover assembly of claim 12 further comprising lift pistons operative to hold the support frame in a raised position when pivoted about the top end of the front wall.

14. (Withdrawn) The cover assembly of claim 3 wherein the cover material is formed of a rigid material selected from the group consisting of fiberglass, metal, wood, vinyl and hard plastic.

15. (Withdrawn) The cover assembly of claim 14 wherein a perimetric edge of the cover material is dimensioned to be received into the upper channels of said frame bars.

16. (Withdrawn) The cover assembly of claim 15 wherein the front frame bar is pivotally attached to the top end of the front wall such that the support frame is pivotable thereabout.

17. (Withdrawn) The cover assembly of claim 16 wherein the support frame is attached to the top end of the front wall with a hinged clamp.

18. (Withdrawn) A cover assembly for a truck bed having a front wall, left and right sidewalls and a tailgate, said cover assembly comprising:

a support frame ; and

a semi-rigid cover formed of a canvas material having a coating of hydrophobic polymer, said semi-rigid cover operative to be selectably attached to the support frame such that the truck bed is covered.

19. (Withdrawn) The cover assembly of claim 18 wherein the semi-rigid cover has a texturized surface.

20. (Withdrawn) An extrusion for forming a frame that supports a cover material, said extrusion comprising:

a triangular cross section having a vertical inner side, a base and an inclined outer side extending between said base and said vertical inner side, said vertical inner side having elongated upper and lower channels spaced apart and separated by an elongated middle channel which all extend the length of the extrusion, said inclined outer side having an elongated concave recess that extends along the length of the extrusion, said inclined outer side further having an elongated retaining slot formed adjacent said base for receiving a fastener attached to the cover material.

21. (New) A tonneau cover assembly for a truck bed having a front wall, left and right sidewalls, and a rear tailgate, said cover assembly comprising:

a frame including a front frame bar, an opposed rear frame bar, a left side frame bar and an opposed right side frame bar, wherein each of said frame bars includes a base, a vertically oriented inner side extending from said base and an inclined outer side extending between said base and said inner side and said vertical inner side forms an elongated upper channel, an elongated middle channel, and an elongated lower channel;

a corner bracket for interconnecting adjacent frame bars, wherein said corner bracket includes an arm adapted to be received in said upper channel of said adjacent frame bars; and

a cover secured to said frame, wherein said cover includes a J-clip extending longitudinally along an outer edge of said cover, and said J-clip is fittingly engaged in a

longitudinally extending slot formed in an outer side of said frame bar, to secure said cover to said frame.

22. (New) A tonneau cover assembly for a truck bed having a front wall, left and right sidewalls, and a rear tailgate, said cover assembly comprising:

a frame including a front frame bar, an opposed rear frame bar, a left side frame bar and an opposed right side frame bar, wherein each of said frame bars includes a base, a vertically oriented inner side extending from said base and an inclined outer side extending between said base and said inner side and said vertical inner side forms an elongated upper channel, an elongated middle channel, and an elongated lower channel;

a corner bracket for interconnecting adjacent frame bars, wherein said corner bracket includes an arm adapted to be received in said upper channel of said adjacent frame bars;

an L-bar selectably fastened into the lower channel of said adjacent frame bars, such that the support frame is rigidly bound to said corner bracket, and a size of said support frame is adjustable by positioning of the corner brackets and L-bars relative to said frame bars; and

a cover secured to said frame, wherein said cover includes a J-clip extending along an outer edge of said cover, and said J-clip is fittingly engaged in an elongated slot formed in an outer side of said frame bar, to secure said cover to said frame.

23. (New) The cover assembly of claim 22 wherein the cover material is formed of a non-rigid material having a perimetric edge selected from a group consisting of vinyl, canvas, plastic or a synthetic material.

24. (New) The cover assembly of claim 22 further comprising at least one cover support, said cover support having opposing ends operative to be received into a portion of said elongated upper channel formed in said vertical inner side of said left frame bar and said vertical inner side of said right frame bar.

25. (New) The cover assembly of claim 22 wherein said J-clip includes a barb portion operative to be received into the elongated slot formed in said outer side of said frame bar.

26. (New) The cover assembly of claim 22 wherein said cover includes a zipper extending longitudinally along at least one side edge of said cover material, wherein said zipper is centered in a longitudinally extending concave recess formed in said outer side of said bar.

27. (New) The cover assembly of claim 22 wherein the cover includes a perimetric edge that includes a longitudinally extending reclosable fastener operative to engage a complementary longitudinally extending reclosable fastener disposed on the J-clip.

28. (New) A tonneau cover assembly for a truck bed having a front wall, left and right sidewalls, and a rear tailgate, said cover assembly comprising:

a frame including a front frame bar, an opposed rear frame bar, a left side frame bar and an opposed right side frame bar, wherein each of said frame bars includes a base, a vertically oriented inner side extending from said base and an inclined outer side extending between said

base and said inner side and said vertical inner side forms an elongated upper channel, an elongated middle channel, and an elongated lower channel;

a corner bracket for interconnecting adjacent frame bars, wherein said corner bracket includes an arm adapted to be received in said upper channel of said adjacent frame bars;

an L-bar selectably fastened into the lower channel of said adjacent frame bars, such that the support frame is rigidly bound to said corner bracket, and a size of said support frame is adjustable by positioning of the corner brackets and L-bars relative to said frame bars;

a cover secured to said frame, wherein said cover includes a J-clip extending longitudinally along an outer edge of said cover, and said J-clip is fittingly engaged in a longitudinally extending elongated slot formed in an outer side of said frame bar, to secure said cover to said frame, and said cover includes a zipper extending longitudinally along at least one side edge of said cover material and said zipper is centered in a longitudinally extending concave recess formed in said outer side of said frame; and

a perimetric flap extending longitudinally along an edge of said cover and having a longitudinally extending reclosable fastener that is operative to engage a complementary longitudinally extending reclosable fastener disposed on the J-clip.

29. (New) The cover assembly of claim 28 wherein the cover material is formed of a non-rigid material having a perimetric edge selected from a group consisting of vinyl, canvas, plastic or a synthetic material.

30. (New) The cover assembly of claim 22 further comprising at least one cover support, said cover support having opposing ends operative to be received into a portion of said

elongated upper channel formed in said vertical inner side of said left frame bar and said vertical inner side of said right frame bar.

31. (New) The cover assembly of claim 28 wherein said J-clip strip includes a barb portion operative to be received into the elongated slot formed in said outer side of said frame bar.